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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Masaru MIYAMOTO

Serial No: 09/297,399

Examiner: C. SHOSHO

Filed:

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Art Unit:

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For:

WATER BASED INK COMPOSITION FOR BALLPOINT PEN

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 **Box RCE**Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified patent application upon which prosecution is closed.

1. The issue fee in this application (check one):

[X] Has not been paid;

[] Has been paid, and this request is accompanied by a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.313.

2. This request is accompanied by the fee specified in 37 C.F.R §1.17(e) and a submission in the form of (check one):

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- [] Consider the amendments(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- [] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .
- [X] An amendment of the description, claims or drawings;
- [] A Request for Reconsideration containing new arguments;
- [] A Request for Reconsideration submitting new evidence of patentability;
- [] An Information Disclosure Statement;
- [] Other (specify)
- 3. [] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of 3 months. The required fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) is enclosed. (Suspension not to exceed three months).
- 4. [] A Petition for Extension of Time accompanies this Request.
- 5. A check in the amount of \$ 740 th is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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